

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
for FREE and REDUCED-PRICE MEALS or FREE MILK
In Child Nutrition Programs
(Effective from July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003)

Children from households with incomes at or below the following levels may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals or free milk.

| | FREE ELIGIBILITY SCALE | | | REDUCED-PRICE ELIGIBILITY SCALE | | |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--|--------------|-------------|
| | Lunch, Breakfast, and Milk | | | Lunch, Breakfast | | |
| HOUSEHOLD SIZE | YEAR | MONTH | WEEK | YEAR | MONTH | WEEK |
| 1 | \$11,518 | \$ 960 | \$ 222 | \$16,391 | \$1,366 | \$ 316 |
| 2 | \$15,522 | \$1,294 | \$ 299 | \$22,089 | \$1,841 | \$ 425 |
| 3 | \$19,526 | \$1,628 | \$ 376 | \$27,787 | \$2,316 | \$ 535 |
| 4 | \$23,530 | \$1,961 | \$ 453 | \$33,485 | \$2,791 | \$ 644 |
| 5 | \$27,534 | \$2,295 | \$ 530 | \$39,183 | \$3,266 | \$ 754 |
| 6 | \$31,538 | \$2,629 | \$ 607 | \$44,881 | \$3,741 | \$ 864 |
| 7 | \$35,542 | \$2,962 | \$ 684 | \$50,579 | \$4,215 | \$ 973 |
| 8 | \$39,546 | \$3,296 | \$ 761 | \$56,277 | \$4,690 | \$1,083 |
| For <u>each</u> additional family member, add: | | | | | | |
| | + \$4,004 | + \$334 | + \$77 | + \$5,698 | + \$475 | + \$110 |

- **BOTH** of the above scales must appear in the Sample Media Release.
- **ONLY** the Reduced-Price Eligibility Scale may appear in the Letter to Households (for those schools participating in the National School Lunch Program).
- **ONLY** those schools that participate in the Special Milk Program and offer free milk should publish the above Free Eligibility Scale in both the Sample Media Release and the Letter to Households.

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